<u>Marriage Preparation Checklist for</u>: _____

_____1. Initial Meeting [Date: _____]   [Initial Contact Date: _____]

[Deposit Paid: _____   Paid in Full: _____]
_____ Baptismal certificates <mark>(newly issued, less than six months old including notations of other sacraments)</mark>
_____ Bride   _____ Groom
_____ Take FOCCUS Inventory   _____ Register at SFX
_____ Receive a copy of SFX Wedding Guidelines (if wedding is at SFX)   _____T4L
_____Signed Guidelines and Photography sheet   _____ Wedding Worksheet
_____ Presider (SFX or other) _____
_____ Dispensation or annulment needed?   _____ Yes _____ No
PLEASE register for all classes as soon as possible, as classes fill up quickly!

_____2. Take **ONE** of the following "Married Life Skills" classes (Recommended 6 -8 months before wedding)(for Spanish/Espanol see www.alianzadeamorphx.org)
a. Diocesan Pastoral Center –"Love for Life"- www.ourcovenantoflovephx.org Fri. eve and Sat
b. Engaged Encounter Retreat -www.arizonacee.org -Fri. eve. and Sat.
c. [Remarriage Seminar]

_____3. "God's Plan for a Joy Filled Marriage" (Recommended 7-8 months before wedding)
Schedule this class at www.ourcovenantoflovephx.org **PLEASE register** for this class before **registering** for Natural Family Planning.

_____4. Natural Family Planning Classes (Recommended 5-7 months before wedding)
Choose and schedule your class at www.phxnfp.org (NOTE: this program takes 12 weeks to complete, and requires 10 weeks of charting. PLEASE START THESE CLASSES <u>NO LATER THAN</u> **5 MONTHS PRIOR** TO YOUR WEDDING DATE.)

_____5. FOCCUS Review with Evaluator
(You will be contacted approximately 2 – 3 months before your wedding)

_____6. Finalize Documents (Recommend doing this 3-4 months before wedding)
a. Pre Nuptial Inquiry Document   _____ Bride   _____ Groom
b. Affidavits of Free Status (two witnesses each for bride and groom, for a total of 4 witnesses)
_____ Bride   _____ Groom

_____7. Meet with presider (priest or deacon) (If wedding is at SFX, do this at least 1-2 months before the wedding.)
(Sacrament of Reconciliation available)
_____ Meet with Liturgy/Music Director (SFX weddings)
Meet w/ wedding coordinator; Music Ministry craig.colson@sfxsj.org

_____ Meet with Wedding Coordinator (SFX weddings)(Rehearsal, Fri. eve. before)

_____ Do you have your wedding license from the County?
(suggest to prepay for recorded copy)

_____ Delegation letter   _____ Permission letter

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